



### **Robert N. Kaplan**

Robert N. Kaplan is the President and Chief Executive Officer at the Inter-American Foundation, where he has served since November 2010. Before joining the Inter-American Foundation, Kaplan worked for sixteen years at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). He served in a corporate executive position and as chief of the Environment and Natural Resources Management Division for Mexico, Central America, Dominican Republic and Haiti. In this role, Kaplan was responsible for all IDB programs in those countries related to agriculture and rural development, potable water and sanitation, environment, natural disaster risk management, and municipal development. Prior to joining the IDB, Kaplan spent six years at the World Bank, where he held a few positions, including first head of the Pilot Program to Conserve the Brazilian Rain Forest, a \$250-million grant program for Amazon conservation and sustainable development.

Kaplan was a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer in Paraguay. He received his undergraduate education at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a Master's degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University. He is fluent in Spanish and Portuguese, and conversant in Guaraní. Kaplan and his wife Lorrie have two grown children, and he is an avid cyclist.